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MEMORANDUM IR14

To : All Regional Engineers and Section Heads

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Subject: Materials Price Index

This table indicates the average changes in prices of materials used in the construction of distribution lines financed by REA.

Computations are based on the average prices in effect on November 9, 1946, which are taken as an average of 100 points.

| <u>Material</u> | <u>1940</u> Jan. 1 (1) | <u>1946</u> Nov. 9 (2) | <u>1951</u> Apr. 1 (3) |
|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Pole 35-7 SYP | 68 | 100 | 118 |
| 35-6 SYP | 68 | 100 | 122 |
| Hardware | 83 | 100 | 161 |
| Grounds | 68 | 100 | 132 |
| Conductor # 4 7/1 ACSR | 95 | 100 | 136 144* |
| # 6A | 71 | 100 | 131 |
| # 8A | 77 | 100 | 126 |
| # 6HD | 67 | 100 | 125 |
| Service Wire | 63 | 100 | 129 |
| Transformer | 83 | 100 | 138 |
| Freight | | 100 | 143 |

PRICE CHANGES FOR TOTAL MATERIALS, INCLUDING FREIGHT INCREASE,
BASED ON NOVEMBER 9, 1946, PRICES AS 100

| Conductor Type of Line | For Col. 1 (1-1-40) | | | For Col. 3 (4-1-51) | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------|-------|---------------------|------|-------|
| | Heavy | Med. | Light | Heavy | Med. | Light |
| #4ACSR 7/1 | 78 | 80 | 81 | 138 | 138 | 139 |
| 6A & 8A | 74 | 74 | -- | 136 | 136 | --- |
| 6HD | -- | -- | 73 | --- | --- | 135 |

* Prices change to include freight to destination.

A report similar to this one will be issued on the first day of January, April, July, and October, reflecting price changes on those dates.

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